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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: THIRD COMMITTEE DAILY REPORT FOR 30 AUGUST 1976

1. THE THIRD COMMITTEE CONTINUED WORKING ON VESSEL SOURCE POLLUTION AT A VERY SLOW PACE IN BOTH FULL COMMITTEE AND SMALL GROUP MEETINGS.

2. IN THE FULL COMMITTEE MEETING THERE WAS A SECOND READING OF VARIOUS AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLE 28.4 AND ARTICLE 30.1. THE TONE OF THE MEETING INDICATED ONCE AGAIN THAT ANY MOVE TO UPSET THE QTE PACKAGE DEAL UNQTE OR BALANCE IN THE VESSLE SOURCE POLLUTION ARTICLES IS NOT GOING TO ATTRACT SUPPORT FROM EITHER COASTAL OR MARITIME STATES. DISCUSSION CONTINUES TO BE DESULTORY AND UNIMPASSIONED.

3. THE SMALL GROUP IS REFLECTING THE ATMOSPHERE OF THE COMMITTEE IN THAT LONG DISCUSSIONS ARE HELD ON WHAT ARE
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BASICALLY DRAFTING POINTS AND SUBSTANCE IS BASICALLY AGREED

AND REMARKABLY VIRTUALLY UNTOUCHED. THE PARTICULAR POINT
UNDER DISCUSSION WAS ARTICLE 27.3--THE FLAG STATE OBLIGATION
TO PERIODICALLY INSPECT ITS VESSELS. TO MAKE IT CLEAR
THAT A STATE COULD HIRE AN OUTSIDE SURVEY AGENCY TO
PERFORM THE INSPECTION THE WORDING WAS CHANGED TO READ
QTE FLAG STATES SHALL ENSURE THAT THEIR VESSELS ARE
PERIODICALLY INSPECTED, ETC. UNQUOTE. END

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